

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A device for preparing a beverage, ~~suitable for human consumption with a fine-bubble foam layer, such as coffee or milk with a fine-bubble foam layer, provided~~ with comprising:

a beverage unit ~~for~~ supplying the beverage under pressure,
at least one a nozzle ~~which is~~ in fluid communication with the beverage unit ~~for~~
supplying the beverage to the nozzle such that the latter nozzle ~~can generate~~ generates a jet of the
beverage, and

a receiving unit into which the jet is directed, ~~for obtaining said beverage with the fine-~~
bubble foam layer, ~~characterized in that the receiving unit is provided with~~ comprising:

a chamber having at least one a drain opening, ~~for delivering the beverage with~~
~~the fine-bubble foam layer,~~ and

a jet impact member ~~accommodated in~~ disposed within the chamber and having a
top which ~~lies free from~~ does not contact an inner wall of the chamber,

wherein the nozzle and the jet impact member ~~being~~ are mutually oriented such that the
jet hits against at least a portion of the top of the jet impact member so that the beverage, after
hitting against the jet impact member, leaves the chamber through the ~~at least one~~ drain opening
in the form of the beverage ~~with the~~ having a fine-bubble foam layer, ~~while the device is~~
~~constructed such that~~ wherein air can be supplied to the chamber exclusively through ~~said at least~~
~~one~~ the drain opening ~~and/or~~ or through an air inlet channel which extends through the jet impact
member into the chamber.

2. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the
chamber ~~is provided with~~ further comprises a product feed opening through which the jet
~~generated by the nozzle is fed to~~ enters the chamber ~~during use.~~

3. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the product feed opening is formed by the nozzle.
4. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a space within the chamber between the nozzle and the jet impact member is ~~free from restrictions that hamper a flow of the beverage between the nozzle and the jet impact member~~ unobstructed.
5. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the top of the jet impact member is ~~present~~ disposed between the product feed opening and the drain opening.
6. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the top of the jet impact member is ~~at least~~ substantially directed towards the product feed opening.
7. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a line that is substantially perpendicular to ~~at least substantially the~~ a center of ~~the~~ a surface of the top of the jet impact member is directed ~~at least~~ substantially towards the product feed opening.
8. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a line that is substantially perpendicular to a surface of the top of the jet impact member in a location where the jet hits the top of the jet impact member is ~~at least~~ substantially directed towards the product feed opening.
9. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the top of the jet impact member is ~~at least~~ substantially directed towards the nozzle.
11. 10. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a line that is substantially perpendicular to a surface of the top of the jet impact member in a location

where the jet hits the top of the jet impact member is ~~at least~~ substantially directed towards the nozzle.

~~12.~~ 11. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a line that is substantially perpendicular to a surface of the top of the jet impact member in a location where the jet hits the top of the jet impact member is directed ~~at least~~ substantially parallel to the jet.

~~13.~~ 12. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a surface of the top of the jet impact member is one of concave, convex, ~~or~~ and planar ~~in shape~~.

~~14.~~ 13. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the top of the jet impact member is located ~~at least~~ substantially in a center of the chamber, as viewed in a plane transverse to the jet.

~~15.~~ 14. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the top of the jet impact member is located ~~at least~~ substantially on a central axis of the chamber.

~~16.~~ 15. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein an axial direction of the jet impact member extends in a longitudinal direction of the chamber.

~~17.~~ 16. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the inner wall of the chamber is ~~at least~~ substantially rotationally symmetrical in shape.

~~18.~~ 17. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~17~~ 16, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the inner wall of the chamber is ~~at least~~ substantially rotationally symmetrical in shape about an axis of rotation which extends in ~~the~~ a longitudinal direction of the chamber.

~~19.~~ 18. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~18~~ 17, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the axis of rotation extends through the top of the jet impact member.

~~20.~~ 19. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~17~~ 16, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the inner wall of the chamber is at least ~~partly~~ partially cylindrical in shape.

~~21.~~ 20. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the
jet impact member is connected to the chamber by ~~means of at least one~~ a lateral arm.

~~22.~~ 21. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the
beverage unit is ~~provided with~~ further comprises:

a holder ~~for accommodating~~ containing a product to be one of extracted ~~and/or to be~~ and
dissolved, ~~such as coffee, tea, and/or a dairy creamer;~~ and

a hot-water unit ~~for supplying hot water to the holder so as to obtain~~ to produce the
beverage ~~which is delivered to the nozzle~~.

~~23.~~ 22. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~22~~ 21, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the chamber and the nozzle are connected to the holder.

~~24.~~ 23. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~23~~ 22, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the jet impact member is also connected to the holder.

~~25.~~ 24. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~23~~ 22, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the jet impact member is not directly connected to the holder.

~~26.~~ 25. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~23~~ 22, ~~characterized in that wherein~~
the chamber and the nozzle are integrated with the holder.

~~27.~~ 26. (Currently amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~24~~ 23, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the jet impact member is ~~also~~ integrated with the holder.

28. – 65. (Canceled)

66. (New) A device as claimed in claim 21, wherein the product is one of coffee, tea, and non-dairy creamer.